

Nature Programs

Fantastic Fossils

(Ages: 6 to Adult) Come learn about ancient signs of life found all around us. We'll investigate and classify some multi-million year old fossils, take a hike to see fossilized remains in sandstone cliffs and even make a "fossil" to take home. Perfect for anyone interested in fossils! All participants pay.

6246.301 W, 28-Apr 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
Alum Spring Park Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$8 City and Non-City Resident
Registration has already begun

Nature Photography for Kids

(Ages: 8 to 12yrs) Just in time to enter the 27th Annual Fredericksburg Photography Show. Practice framing a good shot, discuss a few other tidbits and explore the lakeshore area to look for some great shots. Return to the Nature Center to upload photos and create a fun slide show and talk about which photo you might like to enter. (There is a separate fee for the photography contest) This is NOT a how to use your camera class. Please bring a camera, fresh batteries, and an EMPTY memory card. For kids ages 8-12, kids under 10 must come with their favorite adult.

6236.302 Sa, 8-May 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Motts Run Nature Center Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$10 City and Non-City Resident
Registration has already begun

Frog Walk

(Ages: 6 to Adult) Bullfrogs "bellowing," pickerel frogs "snoring," cricket frogs "clicking," and more, on this memorable night hike! We'll enjoy a cacophony of sound along the lakeshore at Motts Reservoir as these spring frogs tune up...bound to be a perfect evening. Great for all amphibian enthusiasts--old and young alike. Just bring a flashlight and wear boots or shoes you can get muddy. (Family event--adults and kids both pay!)

6332.301 F, 28-May 8:15 PM - 9:15 PM
Motts Run Nature Center Instructor: Bailey, Linda
\$5 City and Non-City Resident
Registration has already begun

Camping 101

(Ages: 8 to 12yrs) Come celebrate THE GREAT AMERICAN CAMPOUT at Mott's Run Reservoir and have all the fun of camping without having to pack up a thing. Pitch a tent, make a fire, roast s'mores and play a game, all in one morning. Learn all the skills to camp on your own.

6235.401 Sa, 26-Jun 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Nature Center Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$8 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Earth Day & River Clean Up at Old Mill Park



Saturday, April 24th
Clean Up @ 9am
Exhibits & More
11am - 3pm
FREE!

- Music - Food - Environmental Booths -
- Games - Hikes - Earth Day's 40th Anniversary! -
Call 373-3448 to register for Clean Up
Volunteers and Sponsors Needed!

Presented by the F'burg Parks & Rec, the Rappahannock Sierra Club, Friends of the Rappahannock, and Mountain View Learn & Serve

For more information: 372-1086 ext. 213
Clean Up registration: riverfriends.org / 373-3448

Night Catfishing at Motts Run

Bring your gear for bank fishing after hours! Join us on Friday nights, 8:30pm-1:00am!
No pre-registration required.

June 25 + July 23

Advanced Sales: \$3 for Children, \$5 for Adults
Day of: \$5 for Children, \$8 for Adults

For info, call Don Minor at Motts, (540) 786-8989.



OUTDOOR SUMMER CAMPS!

Camp Wildwood ★ Camp Hideaway
★ Teen Adventure ★ Survivor

Summer Camp registration will begin
4/20 City and 4/27 Non-City Residents
Space if very limited for each camp!

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Motts Run Nature Center

Calling All Nature Enthusiasts!

Visit "Pocket" the corn snake, hands-on exhibits, check out field guides, maps, compasses & more!

Staffed by Volunteers!

Open weekends from April through October

Saturday & Sunday Noon - 5pm

Blowing Off Some Steam!

(Ages: 4 to 7yrs) Attention all budding, vulcanologists, come have a blast" doing some hands on activities to learn all about Volcanoes. We'll even explode our own and have a volcano snack.

6249.401 Sa, 17-Jul 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Alum Spring Pavillion Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$5 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Fun With Frogs

(Ages: 4 to 7yrs) Hop on over to Mott's Run Reservoir to learn all about frogs and toads. We'll do a craft, play a game, have a snack and look for a real amphibian resident of the lake.

6244.401 Sa, 24-Jul 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Motts Run Nature Center Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$5 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Fun With Fossils

(Ages: 4 to 7yrs) Calling all dino lovers, join us at Alum Spring Park to see some multi-million year old fossils, including mako shark teeth, whale bones and ancient artifacts. We'll also make a fossil to bring home and take a hike to see fossils in our cool sandstone cliffs in the park.

6247.401 Sa, 7-Aug 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Alum Spring Pavillion Instructor: Demsey, Mimi
\$5 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Sunset Canoe Float

(Ages: 6 to Adult) Enjoy a peaceful evening paddling the still waters of Motts Run Reservoir. We'll poke into coves and search the shoreline and open waters for beavers, bats, and osprey while the setting sun paints the sky. Fee covers canoe rental, instruction and delicious refreshments served afloat. Lifevest provided but bring your own if preferred. (For adults and families - children must be at least 6 and able to sit quietly for over an hour—everyone pays.)

6110.401 F, 9-Jul 7:45 PM - 9:30 PM
6110.403 Sa, 7-Aug 7:30 PM - 9:15 PM
Motts Run Boat Landing Instructor: Bailey, Linda
\$10 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Stargazing in the Park

(Ages: 8 to Adult) Join lifelong astronomer and president of the Rappahannock Astronomy Club, Myron Wasiuta, for a wonderful evening of stargazing at Motts Run Reservoir through a powerful computer-controlled Celestron 14-inch telescope and other state-of-the-art equipment. Come prepared for a great adventure! Adults and kids 8 and up. Space is limited. For inclement weather cancellation call: 372-1086 x213.

Rings of Saturn & other wonders

6525.401 Sa, 19-Jun 9:00 PM - 11:00 PM
\$4 City and Non-City Resident [ALL must Pay]

Perseid Meteor Shower

6525.403 Sa, 14-Aug 9:00 PM - 11:00 PM
FREE

Motts Run Nature Center Instructor: Wasiuta, Myron
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City



KIDS' FISHING

DERBY

at Motts Run Reservoir
Saturday, June 5, 2010
9:00am - Noon
FREE! Ages 4 - 16 years

REGISTRATION
7:30am - 10:30am

Fishing, boat rental, games, prizes, vendors, hiking, picnicking... fun for the entire family!

(Rain Date: June 6th)

VOLUNTEERS & SPONSORS NEEDED!!

For information, call Linda Bailey at 372-1086 x 213

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Summer Campfire

(Ages: 4 to Adult) Come gather around the campfire as the sun goes down. We'll roast s'more over the coals, tell a few stories, and join the chorus of summer insects with a few songs of our own. Great fun for the entire family...give me s'more they say! Everyone pays and kids (minimum age 4), must attend with their favorite adult! Bring a lawn chair or blanket or use our amphitheatre.

6521.405 Th, 19-Aug 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Nature Center Instructor: Bailey, Linda
\$4 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Pirate Hike

(Ages: 4 to 7yrs) Ahoy there mateys, calling all scallywags and pirates to join us at Alum Spring Park to make a boat and float it in the creek. We might even find some buried treasure at the end of our adventure. Meet at the Pavilion. Wear bathing suit, water shoes and bring a towel. For ages 4-7. Parents attend at no charge. (Pirates won't be swimmin' but will be splashin' around!)

6231.401 Sa, 14-Aug 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
6231.402 Sa, 14-Aug 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Alum Spring Pavillion Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$6 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Treasure Hunting

(Ages: 6 to Adult) Come out to the wondrous wetland area of our very own Dixon Park and learn about letterboxing. This simple treasure hunt is a great way to see all kinds of natural beauty in our region and all over the world. We'll go over the basics and then hike out to explore Dixon Park and find our treasure. Wear comfy shoes and bring water.

6334.101 W, 8-Sep 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
Dixon Park Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$6 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Canoeing Basics

(Ages: 10 to Adult) Thought about getting out in a canoe but felt you just didn't have the basics down? Come on down to Mott's Run Reservoir and learn what you'll need to paddle around on a future date by yourself or with a friend. Learn about canoe safety and the basic parts of the canoe. Learn some simple strokes as we paddle the beautiful waters of the reservoir. Wear shoes that can get wet. All equipment provided.

6115.101 Sa, 11-Sep 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Nature Center Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$10 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

We missed you... Each class has a limited number of spaces - which may fill quickly. And on those classes that haven't already filled -- we may cancel due to lack of enrollment. Either way those who were planning to sign up at a later date miss out!! Don't wait to sign up!

Basic Outdoor Survival

(Ages: 8 to 14yrs) Ever wondered what to do if you get lost outside overnight? Learn basic info that could be helpful. Talk about what to do if you get lost, have a hands on what to include in an emergency kit. Make a simple shelter and even build a water still. Wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty. (Parents please attend with ages 9 and under)

6225.101 W, 22-Sep 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
Nature Center Instructor: Dempsey, Mimi
\$8 City and Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

Junior Naturalist: Insects

(Ages: 10 to 15yrs) Eyed click beetles and luna moths...cicada killers and dragonflies! Designed to immerse you feet-first and hands-on in the natural world, the Junior Naturalist program covers a different topic each season! This fall, "Insects" is back as we learn natural histories, how to capture and display, ways to raise insects and much more! When projects are completed each participant will receive a beautiful patch and if three different sessions are attended, get their name displayed on a plaque in the Motts Run Nature Center! All supplies included.

6235.102 W, 29-Sep to 27-Oct 4:15 PM - 5:45 PM
Nature Center Instructor: Bailey, Linda
\$45 City, \$55 Non-City Resident
Registration Begins: 4/20 City 4/27 Non-City

